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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 9295  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L BRASILIA 10512

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: AINF PFOR BR  
SUBJECT: REPORTED RELEASE OF EMBASSY POLITICAL PAPERS

REF: (A) BRASILIA 10277 (B) STATE 306106

1. WE HAVE BEEN QUERIED BY BOTH CHIEF OF THE  
AMERICAS DEPARTMENT ARAUJO AND MOST RECENTLY (DEC  
23) CHIEF OF FOREIGN MINISTER'S CABINET SOUTO MAIOR  
FOR EXPLANATION REGARDING RELEASE OF DOCUMENTS  
ABOUT US PARTICIPATION IN 1964 REVOLUTION.

2. REF B HAS BEEN HELPFUL TO US IN DESCRIBING  
GENERALLY HOW DOCUMENTS WERE OBTAINED. OF COURSE,  
WE HAVE COPIES OF THE EOS THAT WE CAN PASS TO THE  
GOB. HOWEVER, WE NEED A "POLITICAL" AND NOT ENTIRELY  
LEGALISTIC EXPLANATION, UNDERSTANDABLE TO FOREIGN  
LAYMEN TO PASS TO GOB. WE ASSUME THAT MOST IF NOT  
ALL OF THE DOCUMENTS WERE RELEASED UNDER THE PROVISIONS  
OF SECTION 5 D OF E.O. 11652 OF MARCH 8, 1972. HOWEVER,  
CERTAIN QUESTIONS ARISE: (A) UNDER WHAT PROVISION OF  
THE EO WAS THE DECEMBER 31, 1968, TUTHILL TO BUNDY  
MEMORANDUM MADE AVAILABLE RIO 'S 5089), LESS THAN TEN YEARS AFTER  
ITS DATE OF ORIGIN? (B) WHAT KIND OF CLASSIFICATION  
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REVIEW TOOK PLACE, WHO PARTICIPATED IN IT AND WHAT  
EFFORTS WERE MADE DURING THE REVIEW TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT  
THE INTERESTS AND SENSITIVITIES OF FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS  
AND INDIVIDUALS?

3. COMMENT: IN REQUESTING EXPLANATION SOUTO MAIOR

COMMENTED IN AN ASIDE: "WHILE AFFAIR HASN'T HELPED  
US MUCH, SINCE IT INVOLVES PERSONS STILL ACTIVE AND CASTS  
DOUBTS ABOUT THEM, ALSO IT IMPLIES CERTAIN KINDS OF  
CONTACTS FOR OBTAINING INFORMATION. WHOLE THING IS A  
BIT UNCOMFORTABLE." SOUTO MAIOR INSISTED THESE WERE HIS  
OWN PERSONAL VIEWS AND HE HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS TO  
COMMENT ON THE SUBJECT TO THE EMBASSY.  
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